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- (1) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/437,595, filed May 13, 2003 of Li et al., published as U.S. Publication No. US 2004/0037906 A1 on February 26, 2004;
- (2) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/438,147, filed May 13, 2003 of Li, published as U.S. Publication No. US2004/089418 A1 on May 13, 2004;
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- (4) U.S. Patent Application No. 11/210,405, filed August 23, 2005 of Li, published as U.S. Publication No. US 2005/0282988 A1 on December 22, 2005.


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